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Interview Summary	Application No. 09/929,821	Applicant(s) WANG ET AL. <i>elo</i>	
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All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

- (1) Krishnan S Menon. (3) Rose Thiessen and Dale Hunt of Knobbe Martens.
 (2) Wanda Walker, SPE. (4) Michael Forzano and Tom Gsell of Pall Corp..

Date of Interview: 05 May 2004.

Type: a) ☐ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference
 c) ☒ Personal [copy given to: 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☒ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☐ No.
 If Yes, brief description: _____.

Claim(s) discussed: 1.

Identification of prior art discussed: Wang'988, Del Pico'566.

Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☐ was reached. g) ☐ was not reached. h) ☒ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: attached.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

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Interview Summary

References discussed: Wang 899 and Del Pico 566.

An agreement was reached on the 112 rejection. The rejection will be withdrawn based on the language of "substantially free of macrovoids" based on the disclosure of macrovoids in page 8 of the specification and figures 1-3.

An agreement was reached on the Del Pico ref. The rejection over Del Pico reference will be withdrawn based on the declaration and the fact that Del Pico reference is silent on the macrovoids.

Applicants argued that the Wang reference was not enabling because cellulosic materials would form macrovoids when made according to the teachings of Wang, as evidenced by the declaration. Examiner said this will require further consideration, and no agreement was reached.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Krishnan S Menon whose telephone number is 571-272-1143. The examiner can normally be reached on 8:00-4:30.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Wanda L Walker can be reached on 571-272-1151. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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